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BRITISH TROOPS IN HOLLAND

Nazi Advance Halted Near Frontier, Says High Command

By Our Military Correspondent

BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS HAVE JOINED FORCES WITH THE DUTCH ARMY, IT WAS STATED IN A DUTCH WAR COMMUNIQUE LAST NIGHT AND HAVE SUCCEEDED IN STEMMING THE ADVANCE OF THE NAZI INVADERS. THE FRENCH TROOPS, WHO CROSSED THE BELGIAN FRONTIER INTO HOLLAND EARLY YESTERDAY, WERE HEADED BY MOTORISED UNITS.

Last night's Belgian Communique states that pressure of enemy forces has increased, but denies German claims of successes against the Liege defences. They remain intact, says the Belgian High Command.

DUTCH OFFICIAL:

"French and British troops have come to our assistance and, side by side with the Netherlands forces, will defend our national territory.

"Our frontier troops are courageously fulfilling their task. The demolitions planned were duly carried out by these troops, which were later withdrawn.

"After fierce attacks by our forces lasting four hours a village captured by the Germans on Friday was retaken the same day.

"During this action the entire personnel of a German armoured train were wiped out. Pamphlets in the Netherlands language as well as Netherlands uniforms were found in the train.

"The garrison of the old fort of Panterden are stubbornly holding firm in the face of enemy action. East of Arnhem the enemy succeeded in crossing the River Yssel.

"An attempt to raid police headquarters at The Hague failed completely. Fire was opened on Netherlands military and police forces from houses occupied by Germans who had enjoyed the hospitality of our country. An efficacious end was put to this action.

"Parachutists were again landed at some places, but their number was very small. They shared the fate of those landed on Friday, most of them being destroyed."

The German invasion of Holland has been a failure and the German High Command has made a profound mistake in underestimating the Dutch Army, stated General Winkelman, the Dutch Commander-in-Chief, in an Order of the Day to the forces. German parachute troops had absolutely failed and had either been wiped out or taken prisoner.

BELGIAN:

Belgium, too, was vigorously holding up the invaders according to last night's war communiqué from Brussels.

"During the day," said the communiqué, "large enemy forces, supported by incessant bombing by powerful formations of aircraft and by tanks, attacked in the region of Maastricht. They succeeded in gaining a foothold in our defensive positions.

"Our troops operating in Luxembourg continued their movements according to plan, vigorously holding up the invader. Around Liege our positions remain intact.

On the other hand, the German High Command announced last night that the strongest fortress of the fortifications that commands the passage of the River Maas and the Albert Canal to the west of Maastricht surrendered yesterday afternoon.

The commander of the fortress and a thousand men were taken prisoners, claimed Berlin.

Yesterday not a single Dutch aerodrome seized by the Germans in the first hours of their lightning assault on the Low Countries remained in Nazi hands. Their recapture was a serious reverse to Hitler, who had hoped to intensify from those bases his campaign to hamper Allied lines of communication.

Dordrecht and Waalhaven, the airport of Rotterdam, was the last of the seized aerodromes to be recaptured.

Parachutists, according to one report, were dropped in waves in Holland and in Belgium all yesterday.

Meanwhile, Allied troops continued to move forward to the support of the defending armies. Attempts by the German air force to prevent movements of these troops in the direction of the Belgian frontier failed in their object.

IN OTHER DIRECTIONS, TOO, THE BRITISH AND FRENCH AIR FORCES WERE ACTIVE. TROOP CONCENTRATIONS IN HOLLAND WERE BOMBED AND THE FRENCH AIR FORCE REPLIED TO GERMAN RAIDS BY BOMBING A LARGE NUMBER OF GERMAN AIRFIELDS.

French and British bombers jointly also delivered smashing blows throughout Friday night and early yesterday on Rhineland railway junctions in addition to aerodromes.

Yesterday, the Navy was reported to be playing its part in the campaign. Strong units, including minesweepers, destroyers and submarines were stated to be co-operating with the Dutch Navy in protecting the Dutch coast.

Ban On Day-Time Sport

THE Government's advice to sports promoters who have arranged special events for Whit Monday is, "Please don't attempt to attract people away from their work."

As the Government wishes that work should proceed as usual tomorrow, special entertainments during working hours should, in the national interests, be cancelled.

This applies to greyhound racing, football and all other entertainments likely to attract a big crowd.

After working hours there is no objection to sports events provided that the consent of the police of the district is obtained.

Police have power to ban any big gathering, but they will not do so unless they think that it would constitute a danger in an air raid.

3 Bombs Hit German Warship

THE FLEET AIR ARM HAVE MADE TWO FURTHER ATTACKS ON THE ENEMY AT BERGEN, THE ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT. IN ONE ATTACK NAVAL AIRCRAFT OBTAINED THREE HITS ON AN ENEMY WARSHIP. BELIEVED TO BE THE BREMSE.

In the second, a complete surprise was achieved. Enemy fuel tanks were attacked and heavily damaged.

Two of the largest were set on fire and the flames were seen to spread. Since April 8, the communiqué adds, the Fleet Air Arm have shot down 20

enemy aircraft off Norway besides accounting for many others on the ground. A further 51 enemy aircraft have been destroyed by the anti-aircraft gunfire of the Fleet.—B.U.P.

The Bremse is given in Jane's Fighting Ships as a gunnery training ship of 1,460 tons.

B.E.F. PUSHING ON INTO BELGIUM

THE SITUATION TO DATE IN WHAT IS DEVELOPING INTO THE BIGGEST BATTLE IN HISTORY, WAS OUTLINED IN COMMUNIQUEES FROM THE VARIOUS ALLIED AND GERMAN HEADQUARTERS YESTERDAY.

The British, issued from G.H.Q. in France, read:—

The Germans are attempting to prevent the movement of Allied troops in the direction of the Belgian frontier by machine-gunning roads and points of communication.

Eight raids have taken place since midnight, but the Allied Air Force is replying with vigour, as are also anti-aircraft batteries which are accompanying convoys or have taken up positions for protecting open towns and engineering works.

FRENCH

Last night's official war communiqué states:

Our troops continued their advance through Belgium assisting Allied troops at various points by the action of their advanced elements.

The enemy continues to attack violently, and new German troops dropped by parachute and landed by aeroplane, arrived in Holland, where measures are being taken with the support of British aviation.

Lively local attacks which were quickly driven off were launched by the enemy today in the region west of the Moselle.

German aircraft continued to carry out bombardments on French territory

today. The results achieved were negligible considering the effectiveness used.

Our Air Force replied by violent aerial attacks on German aerodromes.

In the course of combats arising from these operations 36 enemy aircraft were shot down by Allied aircraft in France and Belgium. One of our pursuit flights alone shot down 11 aircraft yesterday and five today.—Reuter.

BELGIAN

Belgium issued two communiqués. The first read: "Our troops have made contact with the enemy and fighting is proceeding along the Albert Canal, the River Meuse and in the Ardennes."

The second stated: "Fighting is going on at several places."

During the night German parachutists landed at several points in the interior of the country. Most of them have been captured.

Several air raid alarms have been given in the capital, and during the morning an air battle took place over Evere aerodrome."

"Oh, Jack, You are a One!"

Hun Invaders Gunned By R.A.F.



VIGOROUS ATTACKS WERE MADE BY THE R.A.F. ON ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS IN GERMANY ON THE SAME NIGHT AS THE INVASION OF HOLLAND AND BELGIUM, AND DETAILED REPORTS AVAILABLE LAST NIGHT SHOW THAT THESE ATTACKS CONSIDERABLY HAMPERED NAZI OPERATIONS.

The attacks on Friday night on Nazi troops between the Rhine and the Meuse were made at the time when strong enemy forces were advancing across the Rhine towards the Dutch frontier.

Hits were obtained on the bridge over the Rhine near Wesel and on the line of traffic at its approaches.

The enemy's advance was further hampered by a series of operations in which bombs were seen to hit important railway and road junctions and bridges at Aldekerke, Geldern, Rees and Goch.

TROOP-CARRIERS DESTROYED

Another useful achievement the same evening was the destruction of nine German troop-carrying aircraft on the coast of Holland by the Home Command of the R.A.F.

The flight-lieutenant who led the six Blenheims of the Fighter Command in the attack has described how they dived from 5,000 ft. to house-top height to riddle the troop carriers with 18,000 rounds of machine-gun ammunition.

When the bombers with their escorting fighters approached the point where the troop carriers had been reported three Messerschmitt 110 fighters were sighted.

Below them on the beach eight miles north of The Hague they saw nine Junkers' 52 troop-carrying aircraft. After the bombers had hit and set on fire two of these, the fighters formed line astern for their ground strafing attack. "After the bombers had finished," said the leader, "we noticed that two of the enemy aircraft were on fire. Down we went one after the other, our front guns blazing at the other enemy aircraft. The Germans replied with machine-gun fire from the ground."

"The result of our attacks was that out of the seven remaining aircraft we destroyed four more and the other three were also riddled with our bullets.

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War Cabinet of Five

CHURCHILL ALSO DEFENCE MINISTER

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

ALL PARTIES ARE INCLUDED IN MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S NEW CABINET. NAMES OF THE CHIEF MEMBERS OF WHICH WERE ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT.

There is a War Cabinet of Five: the announcement made no mention of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The War Cabinet is:

Prime Minister and Minister of Defence: Mr. Churchill, who is 65; Lord President of the Council: Mr. Neville Chamberlain (71);

Lord Privy Seal: Mr. C. R. Attlee (57); Foreign Secretary: Viscount Halifax (59); and

Minister Without Portfolio: Mr. Arthur Greenwood (58).

The new Defence Ministers are:

First Lord of the Admiralty: Mr. A. V. Alexander, who is 55;

Secretary for War: Mr. Anthony Eden (43); and

Secretary for Air: Sir Archibald Sinclair (49).

The average age of the new War Cabinet is 62, compared with the 61 of Mr. Chamberlain's War Cabinet of eight. It was announced that the leaders of the three parties in the Government, whether members of the War Cabinet or not, will be consulted when questions arise affecting the general character and aims of the Government, including the conditions of peace.

Mr. Churchill is expected to announce the names of the other members of his Government by tomorrow or Tuesday.

These five Ministers in Mr. Chamberlain's War Cabinet are not in Mr. Churchill's: Sir John Simon, Sir Samuel Hoare, Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Oliver Stanley and Lord Hankey. As the Chancellor of the Exchequer is to be outside the War Cabinet, it is possible that Sir John Simon will stay in that office.

FRENCH SPORT "OFF"

Racing and all other sports meetings in France have been cancelled until further notice by an order from the Ministry of the Interior. This is one of the safety measures taken against air raid attacks.—Reuter.

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You Will Agree That—

We Shall Win, But—

I WOULD LIKE YOU TO THINK OF ME AS A REALIST RATHER THAN AS A JEREMIAH WHEN I REGRET THE WAR SITUATION. OF COURSE, BRITAIN WILL WIN, IF BRITONS PULL TOGETHER. SHE WILL DO SO HANDS DOWN, WITH THE NAZIS FEELING FOR THE CEILING.

Meanwhile, the war is on, and some don't realise it. Things are sullen, and several folks are over-easy about it.

Our country is in peril, while some are fiddling. And I wonder how far these people ponder over what could happen if we lose. I wonder if ever they visualize Britain's standard of comfort reduced by Hun Conquerors, to one of starvation.

I wonder if such happy souls picture Nazi soldiers stamping along our streets, forcing British citizens into the gutter.

I wonder can they see the countryside dotted with concentration camps, our children learning the Nazi ritual, and the Homeland a province of the German Reich.

I was never one for sloppy sentiment on patriotism, but today I back Britain. With all her social failings, she gives something far far better than Nazi slavery.

I would prefer to finish at my fifty years rather than "hell" Paper-hanger Adolf Schickelgruber for another twenty.

BUT the hard fact is we are up against a thorough and ruthless foe, and many Britons cannot grasp its significance. Indeed, what is more worrying is that the country has been let

down badly by those charged with the conduct of the war.

They have managed this show with the same insouciance that existed in the Boer War. They have an implicit faith in mere money instead of in the blessings of unity.

They have lacked initiative, and wait for the enemy's punch. Useless pamphlets have been dropped over Germany, deadly only to our own flying men.

There have been hints at coming invasions of Britain without the offering of one reassuring word to the public.

The Intelligence Department in Norway was nowhere. Some of the higher-ups live drowsily with the comforts that come easily to their old age.

A Beaconsfield correspondent of mine comments on this circumstance: "The average age of the War Cabinet is 61. The average age of our New Army is 22."

Typical of the senile spirit was a newsreel I saw a few days ago. In this, at a luncheon, a statesman blasted the Huns with his verbiage and slew Hitler with his mouth.

Spasmodic close-ups momentarily showed middle-aged guests, fat cigars at the slope, drawing lazily. "Hear, hear!"

We shall never settle the Nasties with spit and casualness. The secrets of success are effort, united effort, and more effort. And the same goes for sacrifice.

NOT one of us must have "things as usual." Our soldiers, airmen and sailors don't, and we on the home front shouldn't expect anything better.

If and when the war effort requires more ships, the commodities of every man-jack of us should be cut according to a steeply graded scale.

If luxuries entail loss of seamen's lives, luxuries should go. Certainly the Government's lightsome encouragement of popular savings helps in reducing consumption. But I get tired of the official toleration given to life's costly extras.

"If," said Sir John Simon, "you were to sweep into the Exchequer every farthing of income which anybody in this country has above £2,000 a year, the total would be £60,000,000 a year."

"That," he argued, "is not going to pay for the war, and it would be a mere contribution towards the £1,400,000,000 deficit."

AND I say this declamation and excuse are very, very thin, Sir John.

I REPEAT, WE ARE NOT ALL DOING OUR BIT, AND MANY FAIR-MINDED FOLKS ARE DISTURBED ABOUT IT.

There is a general opinion that up Westminster way they are too selfishly contented and that the last Budget was one of self-complacency.

Legislators walk prettily for the Press cameraman, respectable to the point of irritation. I suspect this easiness of manner in war time. It is suspect in Europe. It must annoy our self-sacrificing Armed Forces and Allies.

THIS is not the "all-in" stuff needed in these times. And in place of those pretty cabinet photographic groups we would prefer a set of fellows with sleeves rolled up.

As Franklin remarked, "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately."

And what good to any of us then would be the superfluities of life?

HITLER, the master-strategist — "strike in the week-end, when the Premier has gone to Chequers" — went wrong this time.

He chose as the hour of his invasion of the Low Countries a time of crisis in Britain.

Actually, he turned dissension into unity. Winston, his dreaded enemy, became Premier, with Labour backing him, and more than that—his partner and colleague.

Meanwhile, under a new Prime Minister, the old Government "carried on." Once again, the British Constitution, elastic and resilient, adjusted itself to emergency.

IT was Labour's ultimatum—"a new Government under a new Premier"—that forced Chamberlain to resign. He would not realise until that message was telephoned by Attlee from Bournemouth that the Commons' attack was directed, not so much at his Government as at him personally.

Labour Exacts

Its Price

DURING the height of the debate on Wednesday he wrote to his leading Tory critic asking him to call off the attack from the Government back-benchers, and promising that, if he did he would change Ministers and agree upon a policy.

He got no answer!

The debate went on. Winston tried in vain to save him.

A majority of 81 was virtually a defeat. Many cries of "Go, go, go!" rang in his ears as he left the Chamber. Even then, he spent all day Thursday and most of Friday hoping against hope.

Soon after Labour had demanded his resignation as the price of their co-operation, he handed in his seals of office, and two hours later, in words that did him credit, informed the nation on the air.

LABOUR, too, got rid of three other evil geniuses—Simon, Hoare, and Horace Wilson.

All these three men he hated, Simon because of Manchukuo, Hoare because of Abyssinia, and Wilson because that C. H. S. S. had been, had been Neville's secret adviser over a score of actions that he loathed.

It Was Not

Waste Of Time

DICTATORSHIPS may laugh at the two-day debate. They would not dare to face up to criticism as did our system. There was need for an Inquest. There was urgency for Change.

Norway had been bungled amidst a veil of optimism.

A free democracy could stand up to anything, face any crisis—if it were told.

Anyway, as events have proved, it all seems to have been a blessing in disguise. Our retreat from Norway left us free to send to Holland and Belgium speedy and powerful aid. We do not feel it was partly in the hope of chaining us to Scandinavia that Hitler chose to strike north first.

The net result is that, at the cost of a third of his fleet, Hitler has given us a more powerful Government and a nation that was fretting because of boastful speeches not justified by events.

Historic Scenes

In The Commons

YOU cannot measure the wild storms of anger that swept over the House of Commons. Never in our history have there been such scenes. Even the Speaker fumbled.

Why, when John Morgan, a Quaker farmer, stood up to denounce his selling Labour colleagues behind him, it was John Morgan whom the Speaker called to order!

Not for years will Parliamentarians forget the intervention of Sir Roger Keyes.

In the last war he wanted to force the Dardanelles, and was turned down. "I was too young then to be listened to."

This time he had offered personally to lead the attack on Trondheim, and been turned down again. "Now I'm too old," they say.

He had specially put on his uniform—never before had he worn it in the Commons!—just to show that he represented the Navy.

Little Amery sailed into action like a real pocket-battleship, not one of

AS Hammer SEES IT



that this debate will be forgotten," he said to a friend.

Now that his prophecy has been realised, recording it is no breach of confidence.

The British nation, as in the Armada, days of 1588, and as in the Spring of 1918, again stands with its back to the wall.

If we are led with courage and determination, I do not fear for the result.

"King Of Scotland" Remains Calm

I MET, by the way, Tom Johnston, who becomes virtually King of Scotland should North Britain be cut off.

He was not among the pessimists, mind you, it was before the Blitzkrieg started on Friday.

Anyway, he reminded me of the grim days of 1915—the Germans near Paris, the King of the Belgians a refugee in England, the Moslem world against us because the Sultan of Turkey, its head, was on Germany's side.

He said how, ever since early last November, Edinburgh had been indifferent to Nazi raiders, how they had always been driven off, how their attacks had failed.

He was, in fact, typically Scottish in his resolution and resolve.

"We are ready," he said. "Our people will face anything."

THE QUEEN OF HOLLAND

"A Government that had failed to govern heard that Holland had been attacked."

those they scuttled. His final words, recalled from Cromwell—"Let us have no more of you. In the name of God, go!"—rang like words of doom through the Chamber.

Till then the Government Whips had hoped for a majority of 100. That, they thought, would save Neville.

Then when Lloyd George had struck his blow—and he tricked Chamberlain into putting up his chin and then punched him to the floor—the Whips thought a majority of 25 was all they could expect.

For "L. G.'s" reply to a Premier who had called for sacrifice for the best thing he could do for the country was to sacrifice himself had such an effect on the House that "L. G." sat down on that, without using the rest of his notes.

Churchill, put on last, did his best. Tory M.P.s heard him say to Kingsley Wood, "They've given me a hard job."

Then he stood up to face the angriest Commons he had ever seen—to fight a defensive action and to attack at the same time.

Winston probably won back 50 votes for his side. But that was not enough.

Neville, who had boasted "I have my friends in the House," and then found there were only 281 of them after all, walked out in the shadows.

Not many more than a dozen of his faithful cheered him, although urged on by his Chief Whip.

It was from the Labour benches that the strains of "Rule, Britannia!" rose!

Germany Is More

Powerful Now

WELL, it was a Government that had failed to govern that heard, in the dawn of Friday, that a Blitzkrieg had started on the West, that both Holland and Belgium had been attacked almost simultaneously, that Luxembourg was crossed and that French cities as far south as Lyons had been bombed.

Whitsundae was wiped out. Some trades had planned a four-days' holiday! Labour leaders called on all their millions of trade unionists to work harder than ever.

A nation which had boldly faced up to inability in Downing-st., and decided to end it, then started to work, instead of enjoying a week-end, with intensified vigour.

We have months to make up. Every ounce of the nation's resources must be used.

We have months to make up—yes, more than that.

Dreading Another Winter

WHEN Collective Security was betrayed in 1935, not only Tories like Winston, but Labour leaders like Ernest Bevin uttered, in vain, warnings about the need for facing up to the new perils.

Three years were lost—three years in which Germany openly intensified war-preparations she had long made in secret.

Now she is much more powerful than she was when the war began.

She has enslaved, for war purposes, millions of Poles. She has grabbed our larders in Denmark.

She dreaded, a few weeks ago, the effect of another bitter winter on her own slave population.

So, after invading Norway, Hitler suddenly determined to launch an attack on three more neutrals and to gamble his all abroad now, rather than lose at home next winter.

By now, I trust, the lessons of Norway have been learned. There, small British forces were left almost helpless, some units with the wrong codes, some with parts of anti-aircraft guns the other parts of which had been sent elsewhere.

ANTICIPATED for high posts on the reformed Government, Herbert Morrison and Ernest Bevin. Both are good administrators. Both are men with determination and drive.

Bevin, who started life at Bristol, has built up, in the transport workers, the largest trade union in the world.

He, more than any man I know, will face unpopular rather than truckle to clamour.

He has never sat in Parliament. He sought election for Gateshead in 1931, but was badly beaten in Labour's great debacle.

Clem Attlee

'And Greenwood

ARTHUR GREENWOOD, now in the War Cabinet, first became an outstanding national figure because of his brilliant speech on September 2, the eve of war.

Well, Lansbury was above Party. Whatever were the views he expressed, the House loved him.

I stood, for a few minutes, the other night, beside his open coffin in the Lansbury home in Bow-d.

His face looked tired but as peaceful as was his soul.

Humble folk wandered in, paused for a moment in homage, and wandered out again. Even in death, Lansbury kept "open house."

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CHURCHILL whispered, during the height of last week's crisis, words that were to be justified perhaps even quicker than he thought.

"There will soon be events so grave

in Leeds when the Sidney Webbs found him and brought him to London. For years he has been Labour's chief adviser behind the scenes.

CLEM ATTLEE is a barrister who went to Haileybury before going on to a variety. After being a major in the Great War, he joined the National Union of Clerks and then, as an M.P., devoted much study to military affairs, on which he is now regarded as an authority.

He speaks in Parliament with real knowledge and with much more effect than on the public platform.

ALTHOUGH it may read, in these hours of crisis, like a trivial thing, I hope the Ministry of Information will now stop, on the air, all the Blahs that our Norman Birkett and Maurice Healeys—yes, and our Cabinet Ministers—have been bleating so regularly "after the news."

Tell the nation the truth, Reith! And, also I trust, the wireless programmes will be cleaned up a bit.

In the gala broadcast last Sunday Arthur Askey used two jokes that should never have been heard outside a smoking-room.

Then Max Miller was frankly indecent.

"I'm off the air now," he said. "I can say what I like. That's what you've come here for."

To my amazement, what followed was broadcast!

Now the B.B.C. is so orthodoxically rigid that it insists on its religious services being "in the main stream of Christian tradition."

Last Sunday, immediately after the hymns and the prayers, it allowed fifth to enter every listening home.

Man Who Was

Loved By 'All

IT was typically British—the tribute to George Lansbury.

Even in the middle of its heated debate, the storm in the Commons ceased, and still bitterness was hushed while the Premier, enemy of all things for which "G. L." stood, did eloquent honour to his memory.

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Somewhere ACROSS THE BORDER A WATCHED MORE ARMY PASS THROU CESSION. THEIR FA DUST OF THE JOURN ING, SINGING AND IN SPIRITS.

As I watched and ta Belgian soldiers and German fighter swooped fr skies with the idea of m gunning the 'Tommies.

Like a flash, a British figl

The Pope Prays For Justice

Vatican C sages to the King o Belgians and Queen W mina of Holland, telling that he is praying for restoration of their coun liberty.

He had sat up most o night composing the mess The message to the Kl the Belgians said:

"At the moment when the second time, again will and its right, the B people sees territory ex to the cruelties of war boundary moved, we Your Majesty and all well-loved nation the e ance of our paternal affe and in prayer to God, th powerful, that His hard may end in the re-sta ment of Belgium's co liberty and independen send with all our hearti apostolic benediction."

The message to Queen helmina read:

"Learning with pro emotion that the effo Your Majesty for peace not been able to preserv noble country from bec contrary to its desir right, the theatre of u call upon the Supreme A of the destiny of nati hasten, through His powerful aid, the re- lishment of justice liberty."—B.U.P.

MOTHER BEWARE THIS WEATHER TH TO CHILDR

MOST mothers heave a s when their children through the winter fit and fortunately, many mothers that fine weather calls for rich in nourishment. This i mistake.

SUMMER DAYS ARE EXHAUSTING

The long summer evenings al children's play hours. They ha to tire themselves, and of cours takes far more out of them th mother has noticed how much the little ones are at bedtime in winter. This means that they up far more energy. Unless t replaced by their food they s summer run-down and far less should be to face the trying w This applies to grown-ups as w

AN ENERGY-FOOD CHILDREN LOVE

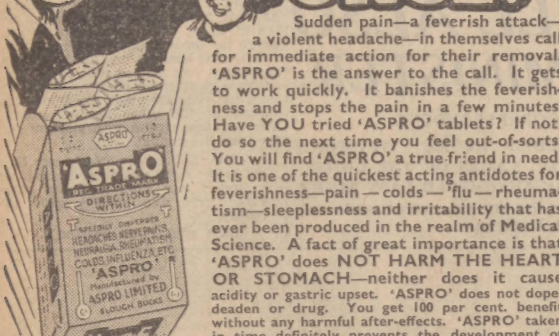
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What Say You?

Belgian Villagers Joyfully Give The "Thumbs Up!" Sign

DUST-GRIMED TOMMIES SING AS THEY GO

AIR PATROL DOWNS NAZI ATTACKER

Somewhere in Belgium with the B.E.F., Saturday.

ACROSS THE BORDER IN A BELGIAN VILLAGE I HAVE WATCHED MORE AND MORE UNITS OF THE BRITISH ARMY PASS THROUGH IN APPARENTLY ENDLESS PROCESSION. THEIR FACES WERE ENCRUSTED WITH THE DUST OF THE JOURNEY, BUT NEARLY ALL WERE LAUGHING, SINGING AND IN HIGH SPIRITS.

As I watched and talked to Belgian soldiers and civilians, a German fighter swooped from the skies with the idea of machine-gunning the Tommies.

Like a flash, a British fighter was

The Pope Prays For Justice

Vatican City.

THE Pope today sent messages to the King of the Belgians and Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, telling them that he is praying for the restoration of their countries' liberty.

He had sat up most of the night composing the messages. The message to the King of the Belgians said:

"At the moment when, for the second time, against its will and at its right, the Belgian people sees territory exposed to the cruelties of war, her boundary moved, we send Your Majesty and all your well-loved nation the assurance of our paternal affection; and in prayer to God, the all-powerful, that His hard trial may end in the re-establishment of Belgium's complete liberty and independence, we send with all our hearts our apostolic benediction."

The message to Queen Wilhelmina read:

"Learning with profound emotion that the efforts of Your Majesty for peace have not been able to preserve your noble country from becoming, contrary to its desire and right, the theatre of war, we call upon the Supreme Arbiter of the destiny of nations to hasten, through His all-powerful aid, the re-establishment of justice and liberty."—B.U.P.

MOTHERS! BEWARE THIS FINE-WEATHER THREAT TO CHILDREN

MOST mothers heave a sigh of relief when their children have come through the winter fit and well. Unfortunately, many mothers also think that fine weather calls for a diet less rich in nourishment. This is a serious mistake.

SUMMER DAYS ARE MORE EXHAUSTING

The long summer evenings almost double children's play hours. They have more time to tire themselves, and of course hot weather takes far more out of them than cold. Every mother has noticed how much more drowsy the little ones are at bedtime in summer than in winter. This means that they are burning up far more energy. Unless this energy is replaced by their food they may end the summer run-down and far less fit than they should be to face the trying winter months. This applies to grown-ups as well.

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Poles' Terrible Tortures In A Gestapo Jail

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

TERRIBLE TORTURES INFLICTED ON POLES BY AGENTS OF THE GESTAPO IN THE NOTORIOUS FORT NUMBER SEVEN AT POZNAN HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY THE POLISH GOVERNMENT TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

NEW CABINET MINISTERS



Mr. Attlee and Mr. Greenwood, Leader and Deputy Leader of the Socialist Party, new members of Mr. Churchill's new Cabinet. (See story in Page One.)

EIRE DENIES BASES FOR BRITAIN OFFER

A reported British offer of £50,000,000 for the use of Eire camps, fortresses and air and sea bases formerly held by Britain was officially denied by the Eire Government Information Bureau yesterday.

"This State has declared its neutrality and is determined to resist any infringement of that neutrality, including any attempt to use its territory as a base of attack against Great Britain," it was added.

KEYES LEAVES ON GOVERNMENT SERVICE

ADAMIRAL OF THE FLEET SIR ROGER KEYES, M.P., WHO TOLD THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON TUESDAY THAT HE HAD VOLUNTEERED TO LEAD A NAVAL EXPEDITION TO TAKE TRONDHEIM, HAS LEFT FOR BELGIUM ON GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

He has been appointed additional Naval Attaché at Brussels, with the object of affording special liaison with the King of the Belgians.

Sir Roger, born in 1872, entered the Navy in 1895, reached the rank of Admiral of the Fleet, and five years later was placed on the retired list.

In March he was one of five admirals again placed on the active service list. At the outbreak of the last war, Sir Roger was in charge of the submarine service. Later he was at Gallipoli as Chief of Staff of the Eastern Mediterranean Squadron and urged a plan for rushing the Dardanelles by naval forces.

Afterwards he became Director of Plans at the Admiralty, and from this post he assumed command of the Dover Patrol.

It was in this capacity that he carried out the operations against Zeppelins and Ostend on St. George's Day, 1918, which resulted in the bottling up of the German submarine bases.

Sir Roger has been National Conservative M.P. for North Portsmouth since 1934.

ROUND-UP IN COLONIES

Amsterdam radio announced yesterday that more Germans had been interned in the Dutch West Indies, as well as potential Fifth Columnists.

The hundred Germans have been interned in Batavia. With members of the Dutch Nazi Party, they have been taken to the Island of Onrust.

11 READERS SHARE £1,250

CROSSWORD No. 198

THE Adjudication Committee decided that the senders of the most meritorious sets of answers on one square were the following eleven competitors, who each submitted a square differing at one point only from the Committee's decision on right.

Mrs. Bernstein, 16, Studley-ave., Highams Park, E.; Mrs. Clementson, Sharps Farm, 4, Robin Hood, Wighton, Wigan; Mr. G. Corbushley, 30, Hall-ave., Leek, Staffs; Mr. T. Hills, 61, Winchelsea-rd., Hastings; Miss F. Houllebecq, Rougemont, Bexhill-on-Sea; Mr. T. V. Langley, 53, Harbury-st., Burton-on-Trent; Mr. D. R. Peck, 65, Edenhall-rd., Quinton, Birmingham; Mr. J. Priestley, 28, Atkinson-bldgs., Satterthill, Halifax; Mr. G. Scott, 1, Cottage, Kirknewton, Midlothian; Mr. J. C. Wilson, 23d Main-st., Cowie, Stirling; Mr. T. W. Wood, 58, Moss Side-la., Rixton, N. Warrington.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition, these competitors share

the £1,250 first prize and will each receive a cheque for £113 12s. 9d.

Any other entrant who believes that he or she submitted a square eligible for a prize should send it to the Committee, 6 La Belle Sauvage, London, E.C.4.

No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the runners-up prizes.

First Runners-up (differing at two points)—135 competitors who will be given a choice of one of the twelve articles.

Second Runners-up (differing at three points)—716 competitors who will be notified; each lady will receive a tea cosy and each gentleman a brace set.

Extracts from the reasons for Committee's findings appear in this week's "Competitor's World." This free publication, obtainable from the Competition Dept. (address as above), also contains eight Crossword entry squares. Send 6d P.O. (made payable to Odhams Press Ltd. and crossed /s. Co.) to cover postage for the next six issues.

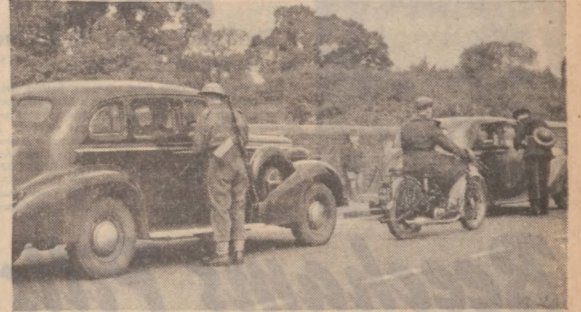
Details of Crossword entry vouchers can be obtained from the same address. Turn to Page Eight for a grand Whitsun £1,750 Competition.

'WARE 'PHONE TALK!

Paris, Saturday.

THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF INFORMATION TODAY WARNED ALL PERSONS USING THE TELEPHONE, ESPECIALLY JOURNALISTS, OFFICIALS AND OFFICERS OF THE SERVICES, TO BE EXTREMELY GUARDED IN THEIR CONVERSATION.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION MAY ONLY BE CARRIED ON IN FRENCH, ENGLISH OR POLISH.—EXCHANGE.



Troops and police all over the country yesterday co-operating in checking identity of car drivers as a precaution against Fifth Column activities.

"We'll Be In The War"—U.S.A.

Washington, Saturday.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S DECLARATION LAST NIGHT THAT "AGGRESSION ELSEWHERE PRESENTS A DEFINITE CHALLENGE TO AMERICAN CIVILISATION" IS BEING WIDELY INTERPRETED BY THE MAN-IN-THE-STREET AS MEANING THAT AMERICA MUST EVENTUALLY JOIN IN THE WAR.

The Nazi attack on the Low Countries seems to have finally brought home to the people here the mad-dog aim of Hitler to overrun the world.

Roosevelt's speech has acted like a tocsin. In the Press it has released a unanimous demand for ever-increasing armaments, including, significantly, many more troops.

The "Times-Herald" strongly advocates a rapid increase in the size of the

Navy and Air Force, adding, "We believe the Army should be rapidly expanded from the present 165,000 men to a million at least."—Reuter.

Today the President's secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, revealed that several thousand telegrams had been received at the White House approving the speech.

SWEDISH BLACK-OUT

According to the Swedish wireless, the black-out regulations for Sweden will, from today, extend to the whole of the country.

A BRIDE'S MISTAKE

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There's another important point. Clothes wear far better when you don't give them that long boiling and hard rubbing. Careful tests prove that this new way of washing makes garments last as much as one-third longer.

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Everyone! And that's as true here at home as on the high seas. Besides doing our own job each of us has another job we must do as well. Man or woman, rich or poor, every one of us must save. Save for all we're worth.

Taxation alone cannot pay for our war effort. Heavy as it is, it raises only one half of the money we require. The other half must come from voluntary loans. Think what this means. For example, the cost of arming and maintaining one ship in every two in the British Navy must be met by voluntary effort. And it's the same with the Army and the Air Force. Half of everything they need and use—bullets and bayonets, bandages and bombs—must be paid for by the money we save and lend the State.

To find such vast sums of money is an immense job. And an urgent job. Everyone must help. However hard you find it to cut down your expenditure and save, force yourself to do it now. Set aside a regular sum week by week to buy Savings Certificates, Defence Bonds, or to make a deposit in the Post Office Savings Bank or a Trustee Savings Bank. Better still, get together at your office or works and start a War Savings Group. Remember—it's "Action Stations" for all. Act on it now.

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"KING OF DIAMONDS"

By JOHN ADDISON



BARNEY BARNATO

THE hole in the ground grew steadily bigger as native workers pried pick and spade. Above them stood a young man, his face drawn and anxious.

That hole to him was either success or disaster. In it were sunk the savings of hard, hungry years. Every penny he had possessed had gone to buy the little patch of land.

Lower and lower sank the working level. Soon the steel of the rickshaws was ringing on the schist, the crystalline rock formation below the soil.

The man above handled the baskets of earth and rock. He washed and sifted with care, his keen eyes glittering eagerly behind spectacles.

The first baskets brought no thrill to him. Hope rose with each washing, only to fall again when nothing was found.

A second load came to the top. Again the eager washing and sifting. And this time over the man's face spread a smile of satisfaction.

Diamonds! There were diamonds in that hole. His hands trembled slightly as he examined the rough stones. In them was the justification for the desperate gamble with his savings.

His real name was Isaacs, and his boyhood years were spent in the sunless streets of Whitechapel.

There were queer streaks in his make-up. One was a passionate love of the theatre—a love which he turned to

commercial advantage by trading in theatre passes.

As a youth the footlights fascinated him. He became a clown, and he and his brother Harry put on a double act as the Barnato Brothers.

The turn, with its limited appeal, soon flopped, and Harry, fired with stories of easily made fortunes in the newly discovered diamond fields in South Africa, sailed for Cape Town, leaving behind him a disconsolate Barney.

In his dreams he followed Harry across half the world. His heart was in the diamond fields, and soon he was pestering his parents to let him join his brother.

The parents were against the scheme, but Barney's persistence finally won from them a grudging consent. But nearly two years had elapsed before that consent was gained, and not until 1873 did young Barney, then nearly twenty-two, sail for the land of his dreams.

Passage money was £50, and half of his savings. When Barney landed at Capetown he learned with dismay that the cost of the coach trip to Dutoitspan, the centre of the diamond fields, was £40.

But the Cockney clown solved the problem of transport by paying £5 to travel to the fields in an ox-wagon.

The driver anxious to spare his weary beasts, made Barney walk the greater part of the 600-miles trek.

Not Dismayed

The trek went on for sixty days. Then a long line of tents came into sight on the horizon—Dutoitspan, journey's end.

He found Harry in a broken-down shack. And a first glance showed Barney that his brother had made little progress towards that fortune on which his heart had been set.

But Barney was not discouraged. His life had been hard. He had taken knocks before. He could take them again.

His career in the world of diamonds began in a flash. He became a gleaner, a man who paid a small sum to sift earth which had been sifted only once by the men who were working claims. Barney usually paid each digger 5s. for this privilege, and soon he had made enough to start trading in diamonds.

It wasn't so easy. The slump had almost killed business, and diamond dealing was not encouraged. So Barney turned his hand to other labours. He worked in shops, carried tools for diggers and acted as broker for anything as long as he could snatch a profit out of the deal.

The slump began to pass. Trade picked up. And Barney, with a new batch of capital, became a "koppel waloper" or an itinerant pedlar in diamonds.

He went into partnership with a Louis Cohen. For months they worked together. But Cohen was a poor buyer and Barney had to do all the work. They quarrelled. The partnership was dissolved. And Barney got back his slender capital.

Yet the partnership, though a failure financially, brought great gain to the Cockney—a gain expressed in terms of knowledge of diamonds. Not only did he know the ropes of the intricate trade, he knew diamonds. He had, in fact, developed into a first-class judge of stones, and soon he had a reputation for assessing values, for detecting flaws, for seizing on the slightest variation in the colour or structure of a gem.

Digging Deep

Barney's next partnership was with his brother. They began to work together at the end of 1874. For nearly 18 months he went around the claims buying stones and reselling them at a profit.

All the time he watched the diggers at work. And ever in his mind was the determination some day to become the owner of a claim himself.

There was a depth and vision in Barney's mental make-up which would have surprised his friends, had they known how much thought he was devoting to the whole study of diamond digging.

He formed his theories—and aired them to no man. One theory and one which was destined to make him the king of diamond diggings, was that diamonds, really big diamonds, would come only from the depths of the earth.

Therefore, argued Barney to himself—and he gave many secret hours to the subject—there should be more and more diamonds as one struck ever more deeply into the bowels of the earth.

In the fields the diggers had never

gone really deep. To delve a hundred feet or more was unusual. That depth, said Barney, was only scratching the surface of the earth. They should go down at least 500 feet, even a thousand. And there, thought the mineralogical theorist, should be the big diamonds.

Below the yellow soil beyond which few diggers penetrated lay the blue ground, the hard layer of crystalline rock. It was difficult to work. It taxed the strength of the native workers and on its resisting surface many a good pick was broken.

Week by week the yellow ground yielded fewer diamonds. Many diggers faced with the alternative of going, at considerable cost, into the blue ground or abandoning their claims cleared out. Barney, supremely confident that the blue ground was a veritable cave of treasure, stood quietly aside as digger after digger quit the diamond fields.

This, he decided, was more than a game of chance, more than a happy-go-lucky pegging out a claim. He had faith in the blue ground. And he was ready to back that faith.

One day, his mind made up, he sounded his brother Harry about buying a claim. He put forward his arguments, said he had faith in the blue ground.

Harry hesitated. The new venture would mean risking all the money they had gained since their partnership began more than a year previously.

Barney argued on: "Here's our great chance," he urged. "We've got to take it, even if it means risking every penny we have."

They discussed the matter far into the night. Then Harry gave in. Barney, with his usual caution, took a long time in choosing the site on which they were to gamble their slender fortune.

Following his theory that the blue ground should be richer in diamonds towards the centre of the diamond fields, Barney finally bought four adjoining claims in the centre of Kimberley.

He and Harry paid £3,000 for the site, which occupied no more space than a fair-sized house.

Rush to Wealth

Then the digging began. Barney knew that unless they got diamonds quickly they were ruined. Labour was expensive and the brothers had to live.

The lucky strike came. One stone alone was worth a small fortune. In that one diamond Barney saw the justification of all his study, all his theorising.

In a few weeks the £3,000 they had invested in the site was recovered. Harry was jubilant. He tried to persuade Barney to sell the claims while the going was good.

Not Barney. Ever deeper into the blue ground went the picks of the workers. Ever the gains grew. Soon the weekly production of diamonds was valued at £3,000.

The clown had divested his motley. His name was one to be spoken with respect. Every day his fortune grew. At the age of twenty-three his income was equal to that of a millionaire and he was well on the way to being the richest man in Kimberley.

Quickly, the length and breadth of the world, flowed the news of the diamond finds in the blue ground. A new rush began. Representatives of the big diamond firms in Europe came to Kimberley and set up offices there.

But none of the diggers caught up with Barney in the race for wealth. Four years after he had washed his first diamond out of the blue ground, he went back to London, where he launched the firm of Barnato Brothers, diamond dealers and financiers, with offices in the City.

His family tried to persuade him to settle in London, but Barney would have none of it. "Do you want to put me in a strait-jacket?" he asked.

London seemed intolerable after the free and easy life of the diamond fields. And back to South Africa he went.

Kimberley prospered. Then came news of the gold strike at a new settlement of huts called Johannesburg. It seemed that the treasures of this rich, prodigious country were limitless.

To the astonishment of his friends in the diamond diggings Barney showed little interest in the new discovery. And it was not until two years after the first gold was struck that the Diamond King visited the new Eldorado.

A large crowd met him when he

BARNEY BARNATO

NO man deserved the smile of Fortune more than Barney Barnato, the little Cockney clown from London's East End. By vision, work and faith he opened South Africa's diamond Eldorado, and by middle age established himself as the richest and greatest industrialist and landowner that even the Golden Rand has ever known.

DIAMONDS

Cockney Clown who Founded a Golden Dynasty

arrived. Barney spoke to them. "You ask me what I want to buy? The answer is: everything."

Once again Barney was determined to follow his vision. He saw the future Johannesburg as the Golden City, a metropolis dominating the Rand, and the greater industrialised South Africa.

Barney's first purchases were two estates on the goldfields. From one called Moss Rose he got 5,000 ounces of gold in six months.

As the town grew so did the wealth of Barnato. He got control of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and Chamber Company and of the water supply. In three months he had five successful mining concerns, and three large companies dealing in real estate.

Two million pounds he put into these ventures. He was the Rand's greatest landowner and industrialist. He went to London again to boost certain share values.

Anything he touched was regarded as

bound to succeed. Speculators followed him blindly. There was wild buying of any new shares issued or backed by Barnato.

His fame was widespread. He knew it, and assessed it in the following words: "If I proposed to make a tunnel from the Bank of England to Johannesburg they would have snatched at the shares without waiting for details of the scheme."

In 1897 Barney Barnato sailed with his wife and children for London. Accompanying them was Solly Joel, Barney's nephew, who, thanks to the Barnato influence in South Africa, was also on his way to fortune.

On the trip home, Barney, who had been sick in body and queer in mind for some time, jumped overboard. One of the ship's officers dived to the rescue, but by the time Barney was pulled out of the sea he was dead.

The blue ground had made his fortune; the blue water had taken his life. And he was only 44, a man in his prime.

All the Barnato wealth and the riches of the Joels, all are owed to the vision of Barney the man who had faith, not only in a theory, but in the future of the country which brought him fame and fortune.

"I'LL HAVE TO GIVE UP MY WEEKLY MAGAZINE" said Mother

BUT SHE FOUND THE MONEY IN THE WASH-TUB

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO CUT DOWN EVERYWHERE

I'LL GIVE UP MY WEEKLY MAGAZINE DEAR

A TIP FROM A FRIEND

I'M SURE YOU'RE USING A WASTEFUL POWDER, DEAR. THIS LOOKS A LOT FOR THE MONEY BUT IT GOES JUST NOWHERE

I NEVER THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY

NEXT DAY

THERE YOU ARE—HUDSON'S DID FAR MORE WASHING FOR THE MONEY

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HUDSON'S SAVES MONEY ON EVERY WASHING JOB

THIS STUPID TALK OF INVASION HITLER'S IDLE DREAM

IT is not a bad thing now and again to be given a mild reminder of our good fortune. That casual reference by Mr. Chamberlain to invasion of Britain has enabled us to think clearly and get down to first principles, assess facts at their proper values.

And such consideration brings nothing but what is beneficial. Certainly to pessimists, who in every age of history make foolish lamentations, a plain contemplation just now is more than worth while.

The war has lasted more than eight months, yet despite every effort that Germany can put forward below the water, on its surface, and from the sky, our Navy is still not merely the shield and buckler of the British Empire, but a weapon of such power that dictators regard it with awe. The Admiralty has only to mass a few battle units at one corner of the Mediterranean, and the most outspoken of our enemies begin to choose their words more cautiously.

Compare our national lot with that of Germany. Rule out, if you wish, that tiny area of the Baltic, but otherwise our freedom on the seas is unrestricted.

POWERFUL, VIGILANT AND EFFICIENT

We can send our tankers to fetch petroleum and its products from the West Indies and elsewhere; the flow of timber from Canadian forests is unhindered; wheat from Canada, Argentina, Australia, arrives without difficulty; our iron ore from Africa and Spain is fetched easily (and our normal percentage from Sweden was only 14); the Argentine supplies us with any amount of meat and mutton; butter and cheese from New Zealand, Australia and Canada are coming over the ocean all the while.

And hundreds of other commodities too. But all because of the Navy. The Navy which has made Hitler's U-boat service almost silent. The Navy, which on every sea is so powerfully vigilant that German surface raiders dare not issue forth as they did to some purpose in the last war. The Navy which from the first so paralysed German sea strength that not once has an attempt

been made to bombard Scarborough, the Tyne, Falmouth, Lowestoft.

And today, thanks chiefly to our initiative, the Nazi navy could not, for many weeks to come, collect more than half a dozen fighting ships of 6,000 tons and over. We have, therefore, every reason to be proud of our Sea Service, but also a just assurance that, come what may, our first line of defence is solid.

On the other hand, Germany has no more freedom of the seas than ability to make occasional ventures by night into a Norwegian fjord, plus limited trading up the Gulfs of Finland and Bothnia.

Just those essential articles requisite for war, which she needs so desperately, we continue to obtain with a regularity that must be painful to the enemy. Yet this word "invasion" always stirs an Englishman's imagination, because as an islander, whose ideals are based on liberty, he reacts instantly to any threat of his rights.

It is right that always we should bear in mind that, as the fan-flung British Empire has been built up and protected by seafarers, so it would collapse if robbed of naval support.

The main battle strength may be based on the North Sea or Mediterranean, in the Atlantic or Pacific; the region does not matter, provided it is conveniently situated against the potential enemy.

So long as Germany by hint or activity intimates that she may send an invading force against our native land we shall find within British waters a naval concentration sufficiently capable of defying such an endeavour. Successful invasion would mean occu-

pation, and that would mean not merely local conquest of the United Kingdom, but of Canada very shortly, of Australia, New Zealand, India, all our shipping, all our trade, all our overseas possessions.

Make no mistake about it; everything pivots on the Royal Navy. Preserve that great institution in full efficiency and we can suffer temporary setbacks quite readily.

But neglect it—weaken it of ship units or numbers of men—and everything collapses.

We as a nation have endured something of disappointment these last few days, yet it would be foolish to take only a short view of affairs. Some of us are old enough to remember much blacker days in the last war and during the Boer War.

REASON, PERSPECTIVE AND PRECEDENT

For history does repeat itself, which means that men in like crises make the same errors as their fathers, and human nature from one decade to another or one century is really much the same. Most of us can remember how during the years immediately preceding 1914 it was common talk that Germany would land her troops at a certain part of England should hostilities happen.

Well, you have only to look up the facts since published to know that in November of that year a landing was seriously considered. Later on it looked more plausible still. But we knew all about it; that for several years German master mariners had been coming backwards and forwards in cargo steamers not exclusively to trade.

We knew how carefully they had made soundings and learned the positions of shoals, so that sudden removal of buoys would not much upset their knowledge.

We knew that two of these German captains even had the cheek to become candidates for the examination as local pilots, though the authorities wisely refused their application.

We knew likewise that one of these Teutons with typical tactlessness, pointing to the church-spire—a local sea mark—boasted that "soon the German flag will be waving from that spire's top."

Yet, when all was cut and dried, local naval units ready "at the end of a split yarn," Tyrwhitt's light cruisers like greyhounds restless to dash forth, Jellicoe's battle-fleet waiting to steam into position... suddenly all tension subsided.

Germany thought again, reflected more wisely; the troops which were to have embarked never came. It was better for them that this should have been.

The British Navy would have handed out annihilation.

So today in our latest war, and the most recent crisis, let us not lose our sense of perspective just by reason of certain set-backs in Norway. It would be the height of folly to waive all reason and precedents aside while surrendering the mind to rash conclusions. Let us get down to real facts.

The possibility of Great Britain being invaded by Germany has been in the front row of our defence authorities for decades. Every professional Army officer is well aware in what detail the problem has been discussed. Every Naval officer who has been through a staff course could tell you the same.

And so vital a peril is always being reconsidered in the knowledge of recent developments.

CONCLUSIONS FROM RECENT EVENTS

Do you suppose, for instance, that if we are suspicious of those sullen hard-faced foreigners lurking in our midst, a certain department hasn't got the whole crowd nicely taped for quick action?

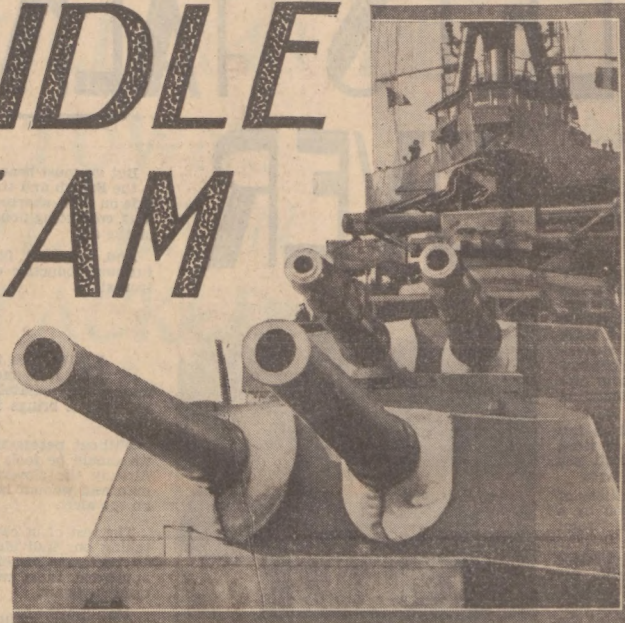
While war holds out no certainty to anyone except death, we cannot be sure that such a megalomaniac as Hitler will act within the bounds of sense. Suppose, then, he resolved in one of his tantrums to send an army across the North Sea against us.

How many men? ... Not fewer than 100,000 men would be of much use. How many transports? ... At least fifty would be necessary, with more to follow bringing munitions and supplies. Where would they land? Whence would they come?

Suppose, for argument's sake, the 50 steamers were assembled in Bergen, whence the distance across to Newcastle is about 410 miles. These vessels would leave in convoys. Average speed of convoy is that of the slowest unit. Say, 10 knots.

Each transport, full of vulnerable troops, would therefore be at sea during 41 hours or most of two days with the British Fleet of battle-cruisers, battleships, innumerable light cruisers, flotillas of destroyers, a line of our submarines along the Bergen-Newcastle route, all expectant.

What a hope Hitler would have! Only six German surface warships other than a handful of destroyers could dare to escort these convoys, or cover them against the British Fleet's interference. Well, if we are to form any conclusions from recent events the



German naval display would cease to exist after the first onslaught.

But let it be granted that a North Sea summer's fog favoured secrecy of departure.

Even then, is it likely that our aerial and sea patrols could have sighted nothing of 50 steamers moving across 400 miles?

Again, this would be the most desperate of all Hitler's gambles so long as we could oppose even half a dozen men-of-war. Should the whole German outfit be so lucky that nothing from our bases came forth, then at least its approach would be reported near the English coast.

Passing vessels, minesweepers, local convoys aloft with their wireless; coast-watchers ashore; aeroplanes exercising not far from their aerodromes; all would be quick enough to flash information that an expedition was on its way.

Long before transports could manoeuvre to come alongside a north-eastern quay or to get cranes over their holds,

By Lieut.-Commander
E. KEBLE CHATTERTON

to sling out tanks and stores, alarm would have summoned every sort of aid along the coast.

Disembarkation would be rendered impracticable, though it might be dead of night.

A shipload of troops is ever a useless fighting entity, but mobile troops choosing their own vantage points on land could deal with an arriving steamer to advantage.

And would our shore guns be silent all this time?

RUTHLESS, RECKLESS AND CALLOUS

For some years before the last war a certain corner along the coast was always said to be the intended landing-place of German troops. Suppose it still is. Let it be granted that Hitler, with his usual disregard for men and material, is quite willing to accept great risks, run his transports so firmly into the beach that they will never come afloat again.

Out might pour multitudes of men down improvised gangways and on rafts towed by motor-boats.

But you cannot land a hundred

thousand men without expenditure of time, and long before the first ship had emptied her contents she would find the horizon smudged with funnel-smoke as shells from 30-knot cruisers began to find their mark.

Then what? Panic among the fifty transports. Some already on fire, others vainly trying to escape seawards, only to be rounded up by still faster destroyers.

BLOCKADE STRAIN UNBEARABLE

As to so many German troops, who might have been rushed ashore, their fate would be decided with little enough delay. In short, such an expedition from Germany, or from territory temporarily in German possession, would be doomed to failure because its success must depend on sea power.

The double consideration (a) of the Allies' overwhelming strength afloat, (b) of the Nazis' recently diminished naval ability, should make any serious, large-scale invasion of Britain a vain thing foolishly invented.

Nothing short of a decisive victory at sea could make invasion practicable; it is contrary to all study of the past, all theory and practice, and all commonsense.

And even should a certain other naval power expose herself to Germany's aid, you and I know perfectly what is the answer.

Nothing would suit Hitler better than some nice quiet summer's day when Fate might allow him to spring a sudden invasion upon us. He is finding the blockade strain unbearable, his Norwegian venture while bringing him immense prestige among nervous neutrals has achieved little else, though at great cost.

So he may still, as an act of desperation, consider the invasion theory afresh.

As for parachute surprises, our country is full of troops who can use their rifles and machine-guns, and we have anti-aircraft companies fully trained all round the coast.

Can it be supposed that in a densely populated country such as ours, with all its facilities for travelling about and hearing such an event as the arriving of 2,000 aeroplanes with 100,000 armed men would remain unknown for long? Concentration against these invaders—minus all such items as tanks and supplies—would be so rapid that few of the invaders could hope to survive that day.

LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

IT'S TODAY THAT MATTERS

By the
People's Friend

It's a pretty tune—a pretty sentiment, too—but, as I listened the other evening, it set me thinking.

To-morrow may be a lovely day, but just now, there is a little too much complacent assurance that better times are around the corner, and not half enough drive or endeavour being made to get us round that corner.

Too many people are sitting back smugly convinced that "everything will be all right in the end." Not even the news of our retreat from Southern Norway disturbed them. They are so sure we shall win, so certain that "To-morrow is a lovely day."

I'm no pessimist. If you read these little articles regularly you will know that. I know that the final victory will be ours, but I know, too, that it will have to be won. It won't be handed to us on a plate. And the sooner we as a nation awake to that fact the better.

There is too much of that "tomorrow will do" attitude in the manner in which we are facing the dangers that beset us. Tomorrow will bring peace! Tomorrow is a lovely day!

Tomorrow, tomorrow and tomorrow—it's a pleasant, reassuring sop. But it isn't enough!

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But tomorrow won't do. It is today that matters; today's effort and today's self-sacrifice that will win tomorrow's peace.

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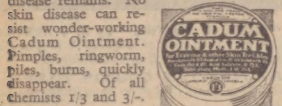
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"MAN O' THE PEOPLE"

writes on
"Things That Matter
to You and Me"

IN a message to his troops on the new West Front, Hitler said: "The hour has come... for the German people." He was right: it has come. Blind troops are marching to a madman's orders; a slave population is working sullenly at starvation pay and millions of conquered people bow their shoulders to the yoke. The hour has struck! And the bell of destiny is sounding the knell of the Nazi Reich.

I cannot, though I am writing only a few hours ahead of the fearful march of time, attempt to discuss those events which you will find recorded in our latest news pages.

But we are all aware today that millions of innocent people are now being driven by a madman's frenzy into the abyss of "total war."

And I hope we all realise that we ourselves stand on the brink of that same abyss. For the German invasion of the Low Countries and of Luxembourg must surely portend conflict upon a scale and of a kind such as the world has not known before.

The Powers of Darkness have assailed us. We must destroy them or perish.

From now on, we must all count ourselves soldiers. And the "troops" at the factory benches will have to fight no less desperately than their brothers in the front line.

LET us be thankful that in this grave emergency we shall be led by the new Government including the best men of all political parties.

The Cabinet "crisis" which everybody was discussing a few days ago, was resolved overnight.

Mr. Chamberlain, acting in the loftiest spirit of public service, tendered his resignation immediately he realised that the House and the country thought it desirable. And he advised the King to call upon Mr. Churchill in his stead.

No other choice seemed possible. No other man is so well qualified to lead us in these fateful days. And, probably, no other man would have been accepted as Premier of a Coalition Government.

Almost everybody will be glad that Mr. Chamberlain is to remain in the new Cabinet.

Whatever his mistakes, the former Premier has borne the burden of great responsibility for three years, and his bitter critics cannot challenge his sincerity or deny his devotion to duty.

The new Government will command public confidence, and has the right to claim an equal devotion to duty from us all.

WHATEVER may happen in the course of the next few days, I trust that every reader of this paper will realise that Hitler is making his last and most desperate throw.

His invasion of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg is not so much a bold, as a despairing, effort to win the war.

Economic conditions within Germany itself have been steadily growing worse. According to reliable reports from Berlin, important German armament works had come almost to a standstill in recent weeks owing to shortage of copper, nickel and tin.

Hitler and Goering must both have realised that there was literally no time to lose. They saw that their only chance was to prosecute and to win that "lightning war" of which they have always boasted.

We realise that, too. And if we can meet and hold their challenge this summer—as we can meet it and shall surely hold it!—the war will be as good as won.

For "Hitlerism" cannot survive another winter. The testing time is now and the whole country has to meet the test.

THE leader of the Nazis has never attempted to conceal his general plan of campaign. He described it in his own book "Mein Kampf."

It was his belief that he could defeat his enemies by demoralising them internally. And, to this end, he has been waging his "war of nerves" ever since he came to power.

That war has already been lost. He has failed completely in his attempts to drive a wedge between Britain and France.

He has failed no less completely in his efforts to promote discouragement, disaffection and disunity among the people of the two countries.

And he has, from his point of view, wasted nine months in this vain endeavour.

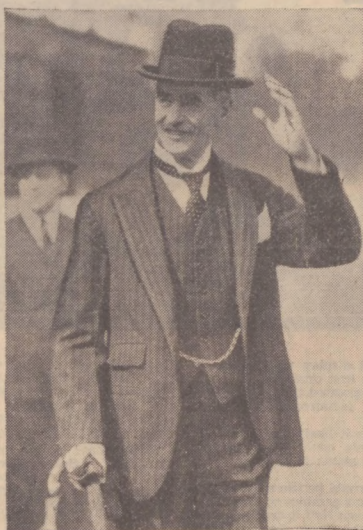
COUPLED with Hitler's failure to undermine the Allied morale is his equal failure to establish the morale of the Third Reich.

The Fuehrer has always been contemptuous of the mass of his own countrymen. He has been able to compel their discipline, for the Germans are an easily drilled people, but he cannot compel their general enthusiasm nor count upon their staying power.

And many shrewd neutral observers believe that the uncertain temper of the German public and the secret hostility of large minorities drove Hitler to accept the desperate gamble of "total war."

WHEN Winston Churchill was defending, in so far as it could be defended, the Government's unsuccessful campaign in Norway, he stuck to his original contention that, no matter what immediate

LET'S TALK IT OVER



STILL SMILING!

results Hitler may have achieved, the German invasion of Norway will prove to be a great strategical error.

Perhaps it will. In any case, and beyond all reasonable doubt, the Germans' invasion of the Low Countries must hasten the enemy's defeat.

It will do so, if for no other reason, because it can scarcely fail to convince the United States that Hitler isn't only fighting us; he is fighting the world.

America cannot afford to let Germany win this war. Many of her leading citizens admit this already. They know that a Nazi victory would threaten their own security.

Already Roosevelt has moved his battle fleet to Hawaii. He has seen "the red light." He can realise how Japan might be tempted, should Germany completely conquer Holland, to "protect" the Dutch East Indies.

And, looking a little farther ahead, he can probably picture a victorious Germany's grab for Bermuda; her fiercer economic penetration of Southern America; her long-term designs on Canada; and, in the end, her implacable hatred of his own country!

It follows, therefore, that whether Roosevelt is elected for the third time, or whether

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some other man takes his place at the White House, the people of the United States will be obliged sooner or later to help us, if only to save themselves.

Heaven grant that their common-sense will compel them to join the common cause before it is too late!

MIND you, we can't afford to wait for America. We cannot hope, even if the United States were to declare war upon Germany this week, for any effective help in this present crisis.

Britain and France—two great peoples with a single aim—stand virtually alone today as the defenders of world civilisation.

In saying that I do not imply any disparagement of our smaller allies. Holland and Belgium and what remains of Norway, Poland and Czechoslovakia will all help us in this fight, each according to its available resources.

CIGARETTE PAPERS

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TODAY'S PROVERB:
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Don't sit and sigh and sigh again!

The stumbles and the setbacks there
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LITTLE ALFIE ON "WAR TIME HOLIDAY"

Holidays in war-time don't seem the same thing, do they? I mean, when a soldier or a sailor or an airman comes home on leave, that's grand for them and good fun for everybody else, but for me and Horrie it's just different.

I mean, after me and Horrie having been evacuated to the country since last autumn, life is a holiday all the time. In a sort of way that is! At any rate, it's jollier being in the country at holiday time than being at home, though sum things are a bit puzzling.

There's cricket, of course. It's very

But we must bear the brunt of the struggle—the British and the French, fighting side by side on land, sharing the ceaseless vigil of the seas, competing nobly in the desperate battles of the air.

And, above all, fighting as one people in a furious productive drive upon the two home fronts!

HOW does this new and momentous development on the Western Front matter—immediately—to you and me? I'll tell you: it brings the Nazi wolf to our very doors.

Without necessarily anticipating air raids, we should be fools not to prepare for them. Already the Government has warned every man and woman in the A.R.P. services to be on the alert.

The rest of us can and must co-operate by taking our individual precautions, accepting all necessary discipline and carrying on our appointed tasks with cheerfulness and the utmost vigour.

But, in the name of common-sense, let us not be downhearted! Let us realise, rather, that our enemy, although he seems to hold the initiative, has at last been forced to make the very move for which the Allied High Command has been patiently waiting.

NINE months of war have come and gone and steadily the pressure of the Allied blockade has been tightened. We have been so patient that—at last—Hitler's "patience has been exhausted!"—in other words, he has been compelled to accept a fearful risk.

And so he has launched that great attack on the Western Front which will call upon our utmost strength, but which will assuredly exhaust his striking power, deplete his reserves, and leave him, in the end, impotent in his hatred.

The people of Britain and France still feel no special hatred for the German masses; they still regard tens of millions of them as the victims of a monstrous tyranny which they have been too stupid or too cowardly to resist in time.

But Nazi Germany certainly hates us! Von Ribbentrop makes no secret of this. He and his fellow gangsters hate this country with all the venom of jealousy and all the intense bitterness of unacknowledged fear.

They threaten us with dire revenge. Let them threaten! We are not children to panic at a madman's menaces.

We do not disguise the enemy's power to do us harm, but we are confident in our ability to strike blow for blow. And we abide the issue with quiet hearts.

SIR NEVILLE HENDERSON, lately our Ambassador in Berlin, expressed the opinion recently that, if the Germans could not win the war by the end of this summer, they could never win it at all.

There isn't a ghost of a chance of their winning it this summer, but there is every chance that they will shatter their forces in the attempt.

What we need above all else is an immense and constantly accelerating output of aeroplanes and every other weapon of war.

We need to see every little factory capable of producing these things working at top pressure three shifts a day.

We need to mobilise our civilian army more completely than it has ever been mobilised before. We need to waive all rules and abandon all precedents that might impede this new and tremendous and truly national effort.

And we demand a Government which is capable of leading an utterly willing people to early victory.

God send us leaders who are not afraid to lead; commanders with the courage to command; and, behind them the orderly, mobilised and 100 per cent. drive of a united nation.

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I mean, after me and Horrie having been evacuated to the country since last autumn, life is a holiday all the time. In a sort of way that is! At any rate, it's jollier being in the country at holiday time than being at home, though sum things are a bit puzzling.

There's cricket, of course. It's very

THE WORLD ON PARADE

Nailing The Lie Factory

ACTIVITIES of the Goebbels lie factory are now being fully countered by Britain's wireless girdle of news round the world.

● B.B.C. now broadcasts bulletins in twenty languages, each several times a day, and by the end of the year more than 70,000 of these factual broadcasts will have been made.

● One result of our radio effort is that less credence has been placed in neutral countries on Nazi propaganda. Another is that, in some cases, the Germans have had to qualify wild, misleading statements.

Closed Doors

HITLER's successive invasions of Denmark, Norway, Belgium and Holland has closed to him trade avenues through which he must have been receiving some war supplies.

● Those countries' trade with U.S.A. had increased considerably since the war, and there was little doubt that they had served as back entrances for the supply of raw materials to Germany.

● Those back entrances are now closed. The Naval blockade grows in intensity.

"WE ARE UNDISMAYED"

THERE is nothing that can daunt us, nothing that can dismay, we fight for what we KNOW is RIGHT and we're all prepared to pay; whatever costs there are ahead, we shall go on till we've Done, and that will be when Our Victory for Peace on earth is Won.

There is nothing that can trick us out of Our Purpose stern, nothing that can make us shrink, for we have but one concern, to Lift up Human Liberty above Force that defies all Law, and to re-light the Lamps of Peace on all the Broken Cores of War.

There is nothing that can dismay us, no foe, however strong, that can banish from Humanity the Good Things for the Wrong. Sin may get its easy victories, for Destruction's Gates are wide, but it's the Gate to the Kingdom of the Soul that is hard to pass inside.

There is nothing that can dismay us though things take strange shapes and turns, for by hardships and adversity, a nation profits and also learns. And when our Danger's Sharpest, our Strength is Greatest too, and IT'S THE SPIRITUAL BARRAGE THAT WILL STOP MAN'S DOOM FROM BREAKING THROUGH. J. M.

● Another factor, too, must be borne in mind. By invading those countries Hitler has released to the Allies four large merchant fleets with an aggregate tonnage of about 8,000,000, and consisting of nearly 4,000 vessels.

Meaty

THAT tough steak, wing ribs of beef or sirloin may soon be a thing of the past. American scientists have invented the Sterilamp which makes beef tender in three days.

● The new method takes the toughness out of beef, increases the juiciness of the meat, and this without the loss of vitamins or essential food values.

● Before the new lamp was discovered meat in U.S.A. used to be stored in dark, cool rooms and hung for three to five weeks.

● Normally the world spends £40 million a year on beef, U.S.A. being the biggest consumer nation with 4,000,000 tons a year.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

THE sobriquet "Tommy Atkins" for the British soldier is due to the Duke of Wellington, who suggested this name because it was that of a sergeant whom he regarded as one of the bravest men he ever met?

● During the Boer War British soldiers were introduced to iron ration tins, and in the South African War tinned food was an issue to the troops for the first time?

● The world's largest cave is the Mammoth, Kentucky, with more than 200 miles of galleries, three rivers flowing through it, eight waterfalls, and several fairly large-sized lakes?

By The Lounger

Oh, no one wants to show assistance to the foe—
It's a depth to which we'd never

So don't get peeved or rattled if there's failure to confess;
To ask: "Are you downhearted?"

Needs a quick reply, I guess,
But Goebbels grins like anything if he thinks you'll answer: "Yes!"

So don't help the enemy at all—
This war is waged against a foe

Who's cruel, fierce and sly;
To beat us in a war of nerves
He'll let no chance go by

If we're bewildered and depressed—
If duty's lamp burns dim,
If we'll let him get us down,
Why, that's just pie for him.

Oh, no one wants to show a weak front to the foe.
Each grouse should die away at duty's call;

So set your chin and boldly nail your colours to the mast.
Take heart and know with confidence,
Though skies are overcast
That Britain's might without a doubt,
Will win the fight at last—
And that won't help the enemy at all.

WISDOM WEEK BY WEEK

No man can be a turncoat—if he's working hard with it off.

POSER

TOM, Dick and Harry each tried to guess the number of peas in a bottle. Tom guessed 188, Dick 206 and Harry 193. Each was wrong and, as it happened, Tom's error plus Dick's error equaled Harry's error. How many peas were there?

Solution to last Sunday's poser:

Applying formula for volume of frustrum of cone:

$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi h (D^2 + Dd + d^2)$

\therefore Average volume of egg

$= .2618 \times \left[10.5^2 + 10.5 \left(\frac{10.5 + 7}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{10.5 + 7}{2} \right)^2 \right]$

$= 1.0472 \times \left[110.25 + 18.375 + 3.0625 \right]$

$= 1.788$ cubic inches.

THE LOOKER-ON.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

PUT YOURSELF IN HER PLACE

Magnesia Whitens Teeth

The woman whose smile reveals such uncommonly white teeth! You can get yours just as white: anybody's teeth can be whitened with a certain brand of magnesia. It has been found that 'Milk of Magnesia' brand antacid sets up a harmless chemistry in the mouth which counteracts the acid discoloration of tooth enamel. It even removes the deep yellow stains of tobacco!

You can have your teeth a natural white in less than a month, and keep them that way. No matter how badly discoloured they may be now.

It isn't any trouble, takes no extra time because you can get "the proper ingredients in a toothpaste. Phillips' Dental Magnesia contains seventy-five per cent. 'Milk of Magnesia', and it uses it even over your teeth will be very perceptibly whiter. And any chemist for Phillips' Dental Magnesia, and watch what it does. Twelve thousand dentists are recommending this dentifrice. Not so much because of its amazing whitening properties but because of the protection against decay. The high 'Milk of Magnesia' content neutralizes the mouth acids that eat into the enamel. Tartar gets no chance to form. So the gumline is protected.

Keep the mouth alkaline, and you will have sound teeth when old. To say nothing of their whiteness all the time. Remember, 'Milk of Magnesia' is the brand of magnesia that will wash away all discolorations and only one paste has it—Phillips' Dental Magnesia.

Thousands of people have changed over to this dentifrice that whitens teeth. The 'Milk of Magnesia' referred to by the writer of this article constitute the trade mark distinguishing Phillips' preparation of Magnesia as originally prepared by The Charles H. Phillips Chemical Co.

To obtain the dentifrice recommended, ask for Phillips' Dental Magnesia. Obtainable everywhere at 6d., 10d., 1/6 and 1/2 tube—Adv.

Wanton Enemy Air Raids Over French Towns GERMAN BOMBS KILL 148 PEOPLE, WOUND 337

Registration:

NEW CALL-UP SYSTEM

THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR HAS DECIDED THAT IN ALL FUTURE REGISTRATIONS FOR MILITARY SERVICE THE CONTINENTAL SYSTEM OF CALL-UP, ACCORDING TO THE YEAR IN WHICH A MAN WAS BORN, WILL BE FOLLOWED.

There will be one exception to this rule. To bring the original Proclamation and the new administrative method into line, to the 1904 class will be added men born between May 10 and December 31, 1903. These will register with the 1904 group.

An official of the Ministry stated: "The position is best explained by saying that, unless military requirements necessitate acceleration, the men covered by the Proclamation will register in the following monthly groups:—

Year of birth.	Registration.
1913	May 25
1911	June
1910	July
1909	August
1908	September
1907	October
1906	November
1905	December
1904 and May 10-Dec. 31, 1903	January

Men who have reached twenty will be included in each of the monthly registrations.

SCHOOLS:

Government Plans For Reopening

ALL neutral and reception area schools to reopen. The Government announce that, in view of the necessity for maintaining in readiness their scheme for the evacuation of school children, the following arrangements have been decided upon.

In the evacuation areas all schools will be opened for medical examination tomorrow morning, when all teachers and children in those areas will attend school.

In neutral and reception areas all schools will be reopened on Tuesday morning.

In Scotland, where schools are normally open on Monday, special attention will be given to medical examination on that day in evacuation areas.

UNLUCKY THIRTEENTH FOR WHITSUN BRIDES

CANCELLATION of leave for men in the Forces and the "no Whitsun holiday" decision caused many weddings to be postponed.

London Register Offices are having a quiet time.

Although they will be open all day today, there will be a few weddings, as the still prevalent superstition about marriages in May is strengthened by the date on which Whit Monday falls—the 13th.

NO PARIS EVACUATION

Even in the event of bombardment from the air the evacuation of Paris is not contemplated by the French Government. An exception to this rule may be made in the case of school children.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

"I Had ONE CONTINUOUS PAIN!"

I Suffered Nothing Short of Agony

DRAMATIC TRIBUTE TO Yeast-Vite

Brand Tablets

Liverpool, March 27th, 1940.

Dear Sirs, I feel obliged to write this letter. Firstly, because of benefit derived from Yeast-Vite, and secondly for other sufferers.

I had an operation two years ago for perforated duodenal ulcers. At the beginning of this year pains began to return to my stomach. I took no end of remedies. But all to no avail. The pains increased and I suffered nothing short of agony. I had one continuous pain, and thought it meant another operation. Anyhow, I gave you Yeast-Vite a trial last week as a last resort, and before the first bottle was used I had got rid of the pain, and am still taking Yeast-Vite as a preventative measure. Therefore you will understand why I felt obliged to write to you. You may use this if to your advantage.

Yours sincerely (Sgd.) A. B.

Accept This Offer!

Who not try Yeast-Vite yourself? If you suffer from Headaches, Nervousness, Constipation, obtain a 1/6 bottle at once. You don't feel better QUICKLY, simply return the empty bottle to Irving's Yeast-Vite Ltd., Winton, within one month of purchase, and your money will be refunded at once and in full. YEAST-VITE Brand Tablets sold everywhere, 6d., 1/3, 2/6 & 5/-.



Sir John Fagge, the £2-a-week farm labourer baronet, who inherited the title two months ago, was married yesterday to Miss Ivy Frier, a housemaid, at Newington Parish Church, Kent. Faversham A.F.S. formed a guard of honour.

Kept Awake, Got Divorce

Seattle.

A MAN has been granted a divorce here because he kept falling asleep at his work. He explained that his wife kept him awake all night praising the virtues of her two previous husbands.—A.P.

"GO HOME"

Advice To Britons

Brussels, Saturday.

BRITISH residents in Brussels today received a circular advising them to return to England.

If they cannot themselves find the means of leaving the country, they are to report to a rendezvous for evacuation.

Travelers are recommended to take as little luggage as possible, together with a supply of Belgian and English money.—Reuter.

SEAMAN "TALKED ABOUT HIS SHIP"

FROM OUR OWN

Liverpool, Saturday.

A BRITISH seaman was accused at Liverpool today of having given information about his ship while drinking in a foreign port with American seamen, who introduced him to a German.

John Geary, a thirty-nine-year-old ship's fireman, of Corporation rd., Birkenhead, was prosecuted under a section of the Defence Regu-

EIGHTEEN TOWNS HAVE BEEN ATTACKED

IN GERMAN BOMBING ATTACKS IN THE PAST TWO DAYS 148 FRENCH CIVILIANS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND 337 WOUNDED. MANY OF THEM WERE WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

This was officially announced yesterday by the French High Command.

Most wanton of the enemy raids was the bombing of the town of Nancy in the early hours of Friday. An eye-witness of the attack, says Reuter, told the first full story last night:—

"German reconnaissance planes were first heard over the city at 2.30 a.m. but the real business did not begin until two hours later when the sirens sounded.

BOMB ON SCHOOL

"At five o'clock there was a lull, but the bombers came back just before 6 a.m. This time they could be clearly seen as they circled overhead in the morning light. Heavy anti-aircraft fire met them.

"Bombs fell in many parts of the town. Before the explosions I could hear them singing through the air as they dropped.

"One bomb pierced through a school

in the centre of the town. Two others fell just outside the school."

Eighteen towns in France have already been bombed.

Several raid warnings were sounded over Northern France yesterday. Five German aircraft were brought down in these raids.

Amsterdam had two bombing raids yesterday. The famous Amstel railway station was hit and several houses were destroyed. Twenty civilians were killed. Louvain was also bombed.

The Allies have taken a heavy vengeance. More than 200 aircraft have been shot down in two days.

An Air Ministry communiqué yesterday stated:—

"Reports so far received show that in the intensive operations carried out yesterday and last night by bomber, fighter and reconnaissance aircraft of the R.A.F. operating from this country and in France, at least 50 enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed.

"Many more have been put out of action or seriously damaged, either in the air or on the ground.

"During last night the aerodrome still occupied by the enemy at Waalhaven, near Rotterdam, was heavily bombed by a large number of R.A.F. aircraft.

"Bombing attacks were also made between the Rhine and the Meuse on enemy concentrations.

"Some twenty of our aircraft are missing.

A.F.S. CLAIM

Ten-Point Petition Of Rights

A TEN-POINT PETITION OF RIGHTS FOR BETTER TREATMENT FOR MEN AND WOMEN MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARY FIRE SERVICE WAS ADOPTED AT A CONFERENCE OF THE A.F.S. SECTION OF THE FIRE BRIGADES UNION IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

It is to be presented to the Government.

It demanded, among other things: Full pay while injured or sick; Adequate pensions; Provision of a second uniform, overcoats, a daily subsistence allowance and free provision of food; Free driving licences; and The proper recognition of the A.F.S. as the first line of civil defence.

Mr. R. Willis, secretary of the London Trades Council, said that one of their problems was the attempt to use the A.F.S. in the dilution of the regular fire service without giving them all the rights or safeguards of the regular men.

Arrangements were being made, he added, for a deputation, representative of all organised A.F.S. workers, to protest to the Home Secretary at such a move.

14,000 War Babies Every Week

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

BRITAIN'S WAR BABIES ARE BEING BORN AT THE RATE OF WELL OVER 14,000 A WEEK—A HEALTHY SIGN FOR THE NATION.

The birth-rate was increasing before the war began, thus upsetting all the theories of the Government's special Committee of Scientists who were to investigate the serious fall that was taking place two years ago.

Those scientists prepared an interim report indicating that the population of Britain would start to fall seriously next year unless the birth-rate took a step upwards.

But before they could complete their final investigations and calculations and make their recommendations for averting the catastrophe, the birth rate itself underwent all their prognostications and started to rise.

Statistics attributed that to several reasons:—

The improved industrial outlook and the reduction of unemployment; propaganda in favour of bigger families and the increased marriage rate.

The onset of the war sent the 8,000 marriages a week rocketing to 9,000. As the effects of the Military Service Act began to be felt, and the number of young men called up for military service grew, so did the number of marriages, which is now nearly 10,000 a week.

SHIP SCUTTLED IN PORT Paramaribo (Dutch Guiana), Saturday. The German steamer Goslar (6,040 tons), of Bremen, was scuttled in the harbour here today by her crew of 80.

Pointing down the road leading from the frontier, the official added: "Look, there's your army."

Then the Canadian saw the vanguard of the B.E.F. getting ready to cross the border.—B.U.P.

"The People's" Secret Service News

IT can now be revealed that Hitler's plans do not cease with Holland and Belgium. He still believes, despite the advice of his military and naval experts, that he can invade Britain.

For this purpose he has assembled far larger concentrations of troops in North Germany than are needed to carry out the assault on the Low Countries. And hundreds of small shallow-draught ships are waiting along the Rhine, ready to transport his "army of occupation."

Troop-carrying planes and battalions of parachutists are also assembled there, waiting the word of command.

It was to facilitate this plan that he had hoped the British would send half their army and the greater part of their fleet to Norway. We did not fall into the trap.

Owing to the new stage on which the war has entered, orders have been given for a big round-up of suspected Fifth Columnists in Britain. There is to be systematic internment of any whose credentials are not above suspicion.

SPECIAL Nazi Fifth Column Squads, reinforced by parachutists, have been detailed to kidnap King Leopold of the Belgians and his children and Queen Wilhelmina of Holland and Princess Juliana and her children.

The picked men comprising these squads were given their orders three weeks ago and told to take up their posts.

The plan is to hold the royal families as hostages in Germany. Now that the hour has come, it is possible to reveal that a few weeks ago the authorities completed the execution of a plan for considerably improving the anti-aircraft defences of London and district. The work began two months ago, and was finished well in time.

HITLER'S two special envoys, Captain Weidemann, his former personal adjutant, and the Duke of Saxe-Coburg, have both now left U.S.A.

But they have left behind them an elaborate organisation, and an epidemic of sabotage outrages at U.S. armament and aircraft factories may be expected.

SOVIET RUSSIA is still preparing, at great speed, for the day when her "friendship" with Germany will come to an end. Fortifications, military bases and aerodromes are being rushed up in the Baltic States.

Financial Adviser On Control

TAX FRAUD SUSPECT'S OFFICIAL POST

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

IS IT TRUE THAT A MAN CHARGED WITH INCOME-TAX FRAUDS HAS ACTUALLY BECOME A FINANCIAL ADVISER TO ONE OF THE GOVERNMENT CONTROL BOARDS?

A number of M.P.s allege that it is, and are concerned about it. They also consider that the anti-fraud supervision in connection with placing War Office contracts needs tightening up.

Mr. V. L. McEntee, of Walthamstow, who has already exposed many doubtful appointments to Government Departments since the beginning of the war, is to raise the question of the financial adviser.

When the House reassembles he will ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer if his attention has been called to:

"An Inland Revenue case" (the number of which he quotes), involving charges of fraud against the Crown, and, as the person concerned has been given a post as financial adviser to one of the control boards, what steps he proposes to take in the matter."

With regard to the question of alleged graft concerning War Office contracts, Mr. Geoffrey Mander, of Wolverhampton, will put this question to the War Minister.

"It, with a view to maintaining the high traditions of the Civil Service and in the light of the temptations created by a state of war and the great development of industrial contracting by the War Office, he will bring to the attention of employees in his department the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Acts, which inflict heavy penalties by way of fines and imprisonment for the receiving of bribes or secret commissions."

SAVINGS:

Little Man's New High Record

STIMULATED BY THE MILDNESS OF THE LAST BUDGET, BRITAIN'S "LITTLE MAN" HAS SAVED MORE MONEY—AND LENT IT TO THE GOVERNMENT.

A week or two before the April Budget, purchases of Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds showed a marked falling-off as compared with earlier weeks.

Then, when the Budget proved to be less heavy than was expected, savings soared the following week to £5,055,000, the highest figure since early March.

BABY LIKE A DOLL

Medical Skill Saved Its Life

THE daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winterton Carpenter, of Fair Oak, Hampshire, who weighed only 2 lb. 12 oz. at birth, and had to be fed from an eye-dropper, is now three weeks old.

"The doctor had feared that the baby might live only 24 hours."

"Only very skilled medical attention has saved her life," Mrs. Carpenter said. "The baby, Gloria June, looks just like a lovely little doll."

HER CENTENARY

Mrs. Alexander Fiskien, of Ivy Bank, Luss, Loch Lomond, will be one hundred tomorrow. Mrs. Fiskien has memories of the visit to Loch Lomondside in 1847 of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort.

NEW BRITISH

MINEFIELDS

THE Admiralty gave notice yesterday that mines may be laid without further warning in the vicinity of the Norwegian Coast to the Eastward of a line drawn 60 degrees from positions 60 degrees 00 min. North 4 degrees 00 min. East to a position 62 degrees 00 min. North, 4 degrees 00 min. East and thence in a direction 030 degrees to latitude 65 degrees 00 North.

The minefield would be 20 to 30 miles off the coast from below Bergen to where it alters course.

The outer line diverges from the coast line until off Namsoy it is about 75 miles distant.

Cut out these Kitchen Front Recipes...



VELVEETA PANCAKES

1 lb. packet 1 large cup hot chopped Velveeta ham, chicken, sausage or mixture

1 pint milk

Pancake batter

First make a rich smooth cheese sauce by putting the milk into a saucepan or top of a double boiler, slicing the Velveeta into it, and stirring over low heat to melt and blend. Then, to half of this Velveeta sauce add the hot chopped ham or whatever you are using. This makes the filling.

Now make some pancakes and while hot, spread with remaining Velveeta sauce. Place a generous dab of filling on each and roll up like a jam roll.

Serve garnished with parsley, paprika or gay pimento strips. What could be nicer for lunch or supper? And it's only one of hundreds of delicious things you can serve now you know this secret of making smooth cheese sauce—quick!—with Velveeta.

Four this gorgeous Velveeta sauce on cauliflower or other vegetables (it pours like cream!). Serve it with eggs, fish, rice, macaroni. Use it to enrich all sorts of casseroles. Its golden goodness lends magic to everyday food—lures the family into eating meatless dishes with enthusiasm. This one for instance:

VELVEETA PIE

Combine two cups cooked flaked fish, 2 cups cooked diced potatoes and 1 cup cooked celery or peas. Make a Velveeta sauce (as directed on left), pour over the mixture and place in a shallow baking dish. Cover with pastry, bake in a moderate oven.

Do your bit on the Kitchen Front by serving lots of delicious economical Velveeta dishes. Remember, besides glorious flavour, Velveeta adds vital food values, high quality protein, the essential vitamins A, D and B—precious bone and teeth-building milk minerals. Yet it's as digestible as Grade A milk.

1 lb. packet, 9d. Round box of six portions, 6d. And the special family-size Thick Packet, 1/4.

FREE! SEND FOR IT TODAY! Useful new Recipe Leaflet, "Tempting, Easy—Make Cheese Dishes from the Kraft Kitchen!" Solves the "meatless day" problem entirely—full of good economical ideas. Send your name and address to Dept. C-1, The Kraft Cheese Co. Ltd., Hayes, Middlesex.

Velveeta spreads like butter



Down to the Sea in Pink!

WHIT SUNDAY. That's the day for the first dip of the season. All the girls have got their bathing costumes ready, and I am told by the shops, most of them have chosen pink. Bright sugar candy pink.

If the sun shines, and I trust it will, the beaches are going to be blue sea, blue sky, and pink-clad girls. Maybe they'll find the water too chilly to go right in, and will be glad to slip into a cosy wrap and sun-bathe instead.

Apart from pink bathing costumes, with the new blue and grey flannel suits, rose and pink blouses or jumpers will give the fashionable colour note, and of course a turban in twisted jersey or fish-net will match the blouse.

Flowered bathing costumes are great favourites. They are only suitable for the young and slim, for however pretty they are to look at in



the hand, trailing florets on an abbreviated bathing suit need an extra good figure to do them justice.

By the way, if it is your first day by the sea, or in the country for some time, don't be tempted to discard your stockings and walk about in bare feet. The skin has softened during the winter months, and will blister easily, even with sandals. I should advise a pair of short tennis socks to begin with, although a good soak in the salt water will brace them no end.

Same applies to the children. Don't barefoot them too soon, and if the little ones are in sand shoes a small binding of lint across the back will save the discomfort of sore heels.

I don't want to be depressing, but if you are going far from home, have a raincoat with you. The fashionable ones at the moment are transparent and roll up into a small parcel.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

By "HOUSEWIFE"

THE hedgerows and meadows are full of good things to eat. Cowslips, dandelions, young nettles and sorrel. The children will be gathering them today. Let us see how we can vary the menu with them. Dandelion leaves in salad, cowslip cake and watercress purée. There must be hundreds of other local delicacies we don't know about.

Write your wild or hedgerow recipe on a postcard and send it, to arrive not later than Wednesday, May 15, to "Housewife," The People, Acres House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2. Five shillings will be paid for each recipe published. Here are last week's winners:—

SAVOURY CARROT LOAF
INGREDIENTS: 3 cupfuls cooked carrots, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoonful salt, pepper to taste, 3 cupfuls milk, 4 tablespoonfuls melted margarine, 3 cupfuls bread-crumbs, 3 or 4 chopped shallots. Beat egg yolks with the milk, add salt and pepper, and pour over the carrots. Beat egg whites with the milk, add the stiffly-beaten egg whites and mix well. Bake 1 hour in greased pie-dish in slow oven until firm. This loaf may be steamed, also for 1½ hour.—Mrs. W. Stockley, 36, Horsman-ave., Kinson, Bournemouth, Hants.

BETROOT MOULD
INGREDIENTS: 2 average sized beet-roots, 1 cupful cold water, 1 cupful vinegar, pepper, salt and sugar to taste. Peel and slice beetroot, line a mould with the slices. Fill the centre with small pieces of beetroot. Dissolve gelatine in hot water. Add vinegar and seasonings. Leave to thicken slightly then pour over beetroot. Serve garnished with shredded lettuce and sliced tomatoes.—Mrs. Pease, 88, College-rd., Framlingham, Suffolk.

PARSNIP CURD
WASH parsnips and boil in the usual way until tender, then mash well. Mix together the milk and curd and add 1 beaten egg and a little sugar. Bring these gently to the boil and mix with the parsnips. This makes a very nice filling for tarts, etc.—Mrs. Smith, Cleveland House, Farret, Peterborough.

PARSNIPS AND LEEKS
(A Savoury Welsh Dish)
PREPARE 2 parsnips (if large cut in half). Simmer until tender in plenty of slightly salted boiling water, to which has been added a tablespoonful lemon juice. Drain and roll in egg and breadcrumbs. Brown them in the oven. Keep them hot.

remove greater part of green, wash well, tie in a bunch with string, and boil until tender in salted water to which has been added a tablespoonful of vinegar. Place on a hot dish, remove string. Mix 1 oz. of flour with 2 tablespoonfuls of cold milk. Place the remainder of ½ pint of milk in a saucepan with 1 oz. of butter, bring to the boil, pour over the

flour, stirring all the time. Return to the pan, season with salt and pepper and boil up.

Four over the leeks. Grate 1 oz. of cheese over all and slightly brown under the grill. Place parsnips around leeks. Serve with brown bread and butter.—Miss I. Roberts, 40, Windsor-rd., Caerphilly, Glam.

"THE PEOPLE" PAPER PATTERN SERVICE
No. 563—SLIM-FITTING FROCK

A GOOD everyday frock for sixteen to size 12. Easy to slip on and off, as you can see by the sketch, it opens in front to below the waist. Curved panels in the bodice and skirt help to slim away your inches. Leave to thicken slightly then pour over beetroot. Serve garnished with shredded lettuce and sliced tomatoes.—Mrs. Pease, 88, College-rd., Framlingham, Suffolk.



Why is she so sure of A Happy Whitsun

SHE'S healthy, happy and delightfully slim, and is certain to enjoy every minute of her Whitsun holiday—just because she takes her nightly Bile Beans.

Bile Beans are purely vegetable. They tone up the system, purify the blood, and daily eliminate all food residue—thus improving your vitality and making you feel 100 per cent. better in every way.

So if you want to make sure of being at your best at all times start taking one or two Bile Beans regularly at bedtime.

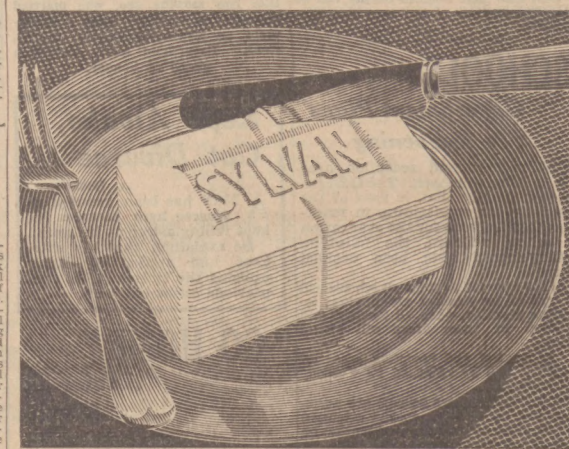
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EACH NIGHT AT BEDTIME

Slim While You Sleep

Is your problem a tendency to put on weight? If so you can easily solve it without dieting or tiresome exercise. Just take Bile Beans regularly, by each night and you'll "slim while you sleep." Bile Beans remove surplus fat safely and surely, and definitely improve your health, your figure and your looks.



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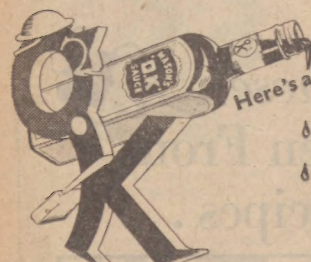
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"TRAPPED"

"SILAS KUNNING is responsible for this," said Mr. Steele when he heard Bob and Betty had been kidnapped. "But I'll get the children back, it's the last thing I do. It is now 3 a.m.; we have until sunset to make our plans."

"Do you think we should call in the police?" asked Captain Mack.

"No," replied Mr. Steele. "Kunning would hear of it through his spies, and quite possibly take the children right away where we would never find them."

"But what are you going to do? There isn't much time to lose, and those kiddies' lives are at stake," said Captain Mack with a worried frown.

For some time Mr. Steele did not answer; he sat deep in thought. Suddenly he leapt to his feet.

"I have it!" he cried. "Send the chief engineer to me in my laboratory at once. We have to work fast."

The day wore; the sun began to drop towards the horizon, and Captain Mack was getting more and more anxious. Should he go to the laboratory to see what Mr. Steele and the engineer were

working on? Then, to his relief, the door burst open, and Mr. Steele appeared, his face wreathed in smiles.

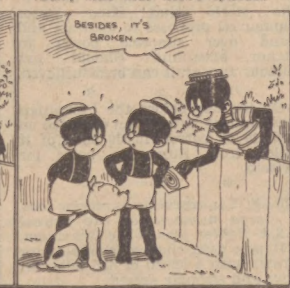
"I've got them this time," he said triumphantly. "Get me four of the crew to carry these two boxes to the quay."

When the men arrived, he gave them each a pair of specially thick gloves. "Don't touch those boxes without the gloves on," warned Mr. Steele. "Take the boxes on to the quay and guard them until Kunning's men come."

Over the treasure like that! cried Captain Mack, as the four sailors carried the boxes away.

"We shall see!" replied Mr. Steele. "Arm your men and tell them to be ready for anything. Kunning and his gang should be here at any moment now—and I have a surprise for them when they arrive."

"They're coming!" cried a voice from the deck of the submarine. Mr. Steele and Captain Mack ran up the stairs and on to the quay. Four of Silas Kunning's men were walking towards them.



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LONG ACRE TELLS

YOU ABOUT

AN ENGLISH CRICKET DRAW
MADE IN SCOTLAND!

TAKE note everybody. Your football tomorrow is very doubtful. The Home Office has expressed its opinion that the Football League of games would be undesirable. Other big news yesterday was that for the first time in history a draw for the English Cup was made in Scotland.

At the big shots were in Glasgow for the international, and no time was lost in pairing the teams. Incidentally, they have now finished with aggregates for these games.

BEFORE I go any further let's see what happened in yesterday's games. Wolves are out of the Cup; so are other good-class teams like Huddersfield, Manchester United and Middlesbrough. Rochdale tried to spring a sensation by beating service players but the "Toffenens" came through with the better aggregate. Sheffield United also could not quite get there, they beat Huddersfield by the only goal, Manchester United and Middlesbrough put up a great performance. They won 2-1 at Old Trafford and West Bromwich the next round at the odd goal of seven.

THE north-east battle ended in Newcastle getting the better of Middlesbrough. Borough got their goal from a penalty. Sunderland, the club who got going again only because of the Cup, are also through. They beat Leeds for three hours, and during all that time one goal only was scored.

Palace disappointed a crowd of 2,000 by not even getting a goal against Arsenal. Everton, had to be pressed into service. Colley, the Northampton left back, was ordered off the field.

SEVERAL teams, banking on the assistance of service players, had to reorganise their sides at the last moment.

Bournemouth had little more than half their regular side, and they had to include their trainer as a half against West Bromwich. At Fulham, Norwich were forced to make nine changes, and two players, P. Gill and J. Ross, had to be pressed into service. Colley, the Northampton left back, was ordered off the field.

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ton gatesmen's share was £8 15s. 1d. "Quite a nice little sum for the gatesmen's benefit," says Fulham chief, Mr. J. Allen. "I'll let you know when we're putting on a game for the chocolate boys!"

HERE'S a little story of pluck. Football idol of 16-year-old Harry Brown, junior team, Reg. Allen, Queen's Park Rangers' solid goalkeeper, Reg. is a local boy who made good, and he fired young Harry's ambition.

Now Harry feels he is half-way to fame already, for he is goalkeeper star of Rangers' junior team. Harry turned out in a match last week with a ball on his arm. He told no one about the ball, but he knew Manager Ted Vizard wouldn't know him to play.

During the match Harry dived, the ball burst and he collapsed. Later, in the dressing room, when he was refused permission to return to the field, Harry looked scornfully at his handkerchief and said with much indignation: "But this wouldn't have stopped Reg Allen from playing!"

INCIDENTALLY, the Rangers were disappointed during the week. They reckoned that Crystal Palace would have given the Shepherd's Bush side a chance of the second round, but instead they were disappointed.

As it happened, the Palace won, despite the fact that they were also through. Instead of the time. That win makes them almost certain of carrying off the honours.

Palace have quite a simple and effective trick for suddenly switching to a different style. Instead of the goalkeeper clearing with a wild punt, he throws the ball to a winger, who then makes a move that is clear field in which to turn defence into a suddenly dangerous attack.

I SHOULD say the Palace are one of the most attractive teams of the moment and a credit to George Irwin, who is in his first season. Palace have a great left-half in Nick Collins, and a grand forward in Trevor Smith. They are well-known in the North-East. Trevor had the most atrocious luck I've ever seen.

Reading. He sent in a shot and the ball struck the inside of a goalpost. The referee, who struck the other goalpost, and then came out again!

Did you know, that the Rangers were disappointed? Well, they have a chance of hitting back tomorrow, when they play at Selhurst. Should be a grand game.

NOTICE anything strange about this page today? We've no doubt that it has, but it affects those few unwise people who still persist in organising and entering punts, but I

THIRD ROUND DRAW

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LEAGUE CUP

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DOVDS 2, Billingham

COVENTRY, 5 [7] WOLVES... 2 [2]

8,112-Crawley, H.T. 3-0

Dodd 2, Wray, Wright

C. PALACE, 0 [1] ARSENAL... 2 [5]

21,400-Kirch 2, H.T. 1-0

8,226-McCormick, H.T. 1-0

HULL... 0 [1] HUDDERSFIELD... 1 [0]

6,000-Jullison, H.T. 0-0

LEEDS... 0 [0] SUNDERLAND... 1 [1]

9,000-Carter, H.T. 0-0

MAN U... 1 [3] BLACKBURN... 3 [4]

12,551-Carey, Clarke, H.T. 1-1

WOLV... 2 [4] MIDDLESBROUGH... 1 [3]

15,000-Clifton 2, Fenton, H.T. 1-1

ROCHDALE, 4 [5] EVERTON... 2 [7]

6,601-Richardson, H.T. 1-1

READING... 0 [0] BIRMINGHAM... 1 [4]

2,000-Godden, Bodie, H.T. 0-1

SHEFF. C. 1 [1] BARNSELY... 0 [3]

6,000-Jackson, H.T. 0-0

SOUTHEND 0 [1] NOTTS F... 1 [4]

3,770-McCaw, H.T. 0-0

STOKE... 6 [8] BARROW... 1 [1]

2,000-Ormonston, Harris, H.T. 2-0

SWANSEA, 3 [3] BRISTOL R... 0 [6]

2,000-Paul 2, Davies, H.T. 2-0

W. BROM... 3 [5] B'RNEMTH 1 [2]

7,615-Heavens, McDonald, H.T. 1-1

WEST HAM 3 [4] LEICESTER 0 [1]

15,000-Foreman 2, H.T. 1-0

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REGIONAL LEAGUE

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BRENTFORD (2) 2 CHELSEA (0) ... 0

7,000-Mackintosh, Hopkins

TOTTENHAM (2) 4 PORTSMOUTH (0) ... 0

9,000-Morrison 3, Miller

HOW THEY STAND

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